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Mr. T. S. Ramaswami Ayyar :—"Has the Government considered the question of increasing the pay, apart from having a selection grade, Sir ?,"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—"They have thought it necessary to make no changes except providing for the selection grade. The matter has been fully considered."

Percentage of Assistant Professors getting a salary of Rs. 170 and less.

*92 Q.—Mr. T. Sundara Rao Nayudu : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state what percentage of Assistant Professors, under the present time-scale, namely, Rs. 125—5—175—7½—250, are getting a salary of Rs. 170 and less, and how many years service they have put in ?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the Quarterly list of Non-gazetted Educational Officers corrected up to 1st July 1930.

Excise

Excise Licensing Boards and Advisory Committees in Bellary district.

*93 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) the strength of the Excise Licensing Boards and Advisory Committees, if any, in the Bellary district;

(*b*) how many in each, are appointed by election and the agency which has to elect them ; and

(*c*) how many among the nominated members of each represent the liquor trade interests ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to question No. 1341 at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 28th January 1930 and to rule 2 of the rules for the constitution of and the conduct of business by Excise Advisory Committees published at pages 1262-63 of Part II of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th September 1927.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"The answer to this question refers to a previous question asked in this Council. On a reference to that I find that it does not relate at all to anything that I have asked now. Further there is a reference to the *Fort St. George Gazette*. I do not know what they refer to, because, copies of the Gazette are not available. Therefore may I know from the hon. Minister what the strength of the Excise Licensing Board is ?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—"It is about seven or eight. I cannot give the exact number. If my hon. Friend wants it it can be easily found out."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"May I know how many of them are elected ?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—"That is what is found in the Gazette. Sir, the Gazette is a document which is easily available to Members."